

April 26, 2004

Jeff S. Jordan
Office of the General Counsel
Federal Election Commission
999 E Street, NW
Washington, DC 20463

Re: MUR 5440 – Robert Glaser

Dear Mr. Jordan:

This is in response to the complaint filed against me by the Bush-Cheney '04 campaign and the Republican National Committee. The complaint is without merit and should be dismissed.

I have been named in the complaint solely in my capacity as a donor of nonfederal funds. I made contributions to the nonfederal account of America Coming Together ("ACT") and to America Votes, both alleged in the complaint as conspirators in an effort to violate the campaign laws. The complaint appears to be alleging that these organizations are federal political committees and, therefore, my donations to these committees exceeded the federal contribution limits.

The complaint provides no credible basis to find that ACT and America Votes should be treated as federal political committees that can accept only federal contributions, or to find that they were operating in any way unlawfully. I understand that the other entities named in the complaint will respond in more detail on this point, and I would refer you to their response for a more detailed legal analysis of these issues.

Further, even if the complaint's allegations in this regard were true, the complaint provides no basis to assert that I gave with the knowledge that my contributions would be used for anything other than lawful purposes. I believed and believe that my donations were made in compliance with the federal campaign laws and that my donations would be used in a lawful manner. I had no reason at the time, and have no reason now, to believe that the organizations were not operating in accordance with the campaign finance laws.

It is clear from the news reports surrounding this complaint, that it was filed for political, not legal, purposes. The Commission should not acquiesce in being used as a political pawn by pursuing this specious complaint against me. The complaint should be dismissed and no action taken.

Very truly yours,


Robert Glaser

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